



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ANC 5D**

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ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 5D**

Draft Minutes

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Monthly Public Meeting

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00 pm

Washington, DC 20002

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**STANDING REPORTS & ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

Call to Order & Roll Call Comm Saucedo-Guzman 07:07 PM

Present: Commissioners Arbuckle, Rhodes, Roblin, Cobb, Saucedo-Guzman, Henderson,  
McCullum, May, Blacknell joined at 7:17

**Welcome & Reports**

7:07 Call to Order Comm Saucedo-Guzman

7:07 Roll Call, Comm. Saucedo-Guzman.

Present: Commissioners Arbuckle, Rhodes, Roblin, Cobb, Saucedo-Guzman, Henderson,  
McCullum, May. Absent: Blacknell

**Adoption of the Agenda, Comm Saucedo-Guzman**

7:09 Comm Saucedo-Guzman asked if any Commissioners would like to make a amendment to the agenda

7:10 Comm Roblin motioned to add a Resolution in Opposition to the Initiative Amendment Act of 2023 to the agenda. Second Comm Cobb. Blacknell absent. 7-1-0 Henderson opposed. The motion passed.

7:11 Comm Roblin motioned to add the Letter to DDOT regarding the M St crosswalks to the agenda. Second Comm Cobb. Blacknell absent. 7-1-0 Henderson opposed. It was added to the agenda.

7:12 Comm Cobb moved to remove just the Quarterly Financial Report from the agenda and table it until next month bc there are new issues with the OANC's platform for recordkeeping and it gave us the wrong balance and he's working with OANC to figure it out. He will still do the monthly report. Second Rhodes. Blacknell absent. 7-1-0 Henderson opposed. It passed.

7:13 Comm Henderson requested discussion.

7:13 Comm McCullum said we did the discussion out of order because the discussion should be before the vote.

7:14 Comm Arbuckle motioned to add a stipulated liquor license to the agenda for Raul Napier. Second Comm Cobb. Blacknell absent.

7:15 Comm Henderson requested discussion.

7:16 Vote 5-3-0. Henderson, McCullum, Saucedo-Guzman opposed. Blacknell absent. The motion passed.

7:17 Comm Henderson requested a rollcall vote.

7:17 Comm Blacknell entered the meeting

7:17 Comm Arbuckle dropped out of the meeting

7:17 Roll call vote

5D01 absent from vote

5D02 no

5D03 yes

5D04 yes

5D05 no

5D06 no

5D07 no

5D08 yes

5D09 yes

The motion did not pass.

7:19 Comm May asked if he could bring the Letter to Minetta Tavern up on behalf of Comm Arbuckle. Comm Sauced-Guzman said its already on the agenda.

7:19 Comm Sauced-Guzman moved to adopt tonight's agenda as amended during today's meeting. Second Roblin. 7-1-0. Henderson opposed. The motion passed.

7:20 Comm Sauced-Guzman said this is the time to adopt the Minutes but we'll be holding to adopt the Minutes until June when we have a admin to assist.

### 7:21 Treasurer's Monthly Report

Comm Cobb said we started with a opening balance for March 2024 of \$33,979.10. We had no expenditures and a allotment of \$5,663.08 which is our quarterly allotment from the district government giving us a closing balance for March of \$39,642.18.

Derek Floyd, Oliver Stoute and Anthony Black could not make the meeting bc they were at a public safety meeting in Brookland regarding the recent shooting at the Brookland Metro.

### STANDING PRESENTATIONS (5-8 MINUTES, 2 MINUTES FOR QUESTIONS)

#### 7:24 Commissioner Reports (3 min each) ANC 5D Commissioners

5D01 Comm Arbuckle does not have anything to share

5D02 Comm Rhodes said everything she mentioned last months meeting, the Office of Planning meeting, the community meeting about the Small Area Plan, the DPR and DGS meeting about Crummell and the ceremony we had to designate Galludet St as Alexander Crummell Way, all the meetings went very well and she's happy things are moving forward. She flagged that someone is harassing a business owner saying they're the ANC Commissioner and she wants to make sure everyone knows that's not her. If anyone is doing that to you please contact her at [5D02@anc.dc.gov](mailto:5D02@anc.dc.gov).

D03 Comm Roblin thanked Andrew DiAntonio and Matt Burns for tabling outside the Trinidad Farmer's Market. They gave out information on trees and on the ANC. The Trinidad Farmer's Market may have to permanently close if they don't get more business. A week ago DDOT removed the crosswalks at M St NE and at the same ti.e they aligned the traffic signals so cars can go much faster down Florida and she feels that is a extremely unsafe situation. She put DDOT's

grievance form and other addresses in the chat to complain to.

5D04 Comm Cobb has nothing to report today

5D05 Comm Saucedo-Guzman said they were the first to have a drug free zone, around Raum, Montello and Mt Olivet. It stopped some loitering, there were no extra arrests. The Commander said it will not be implemented again unless there's a uptick in crime. Street sweeping has started and people should be moving their cars. Fines are \$40 or \$50. If you see your street is not being swept Call 311 for parking enforcement.

5D06 Comm Henderson If you have not received a copy of the newsletter make sure you get it. I can be reached at [khenderson029@aol.com](mailto:khenderson029@aol.com). The Mayor's security camera rebate program has been updated with a request for all neighbors with security cameras to register those cameras to give MPD access. I encourage all residents to take advantage of this opportunity to give MPD access as needed. There won't be any penalties, you won't be subject to any unreasonable searches and seizures, it simply gives MPD the opportunity to know if something happens in our community. We're continuing our very successful weekly cleanups. Residents are urged to join us. Our core team cleans every Saturday from 9 to 1. We had a drug free zone that encompassed parts of 5d06 that was modestly successful. We had one arrest at Starburst Plaza. DDOT has responded to 96% of my request for repairs at Starburst. I continue to be concerned about the expenditures of this Commission and am following up on this.

5D07 Comm McCullum I want to congratulate the ladies of Delta Sigma Theta sorority Inc. There was a street renaming on Morse St, Edna Brown Coleman Way. We also had a drug free zone on Neal, Maryland Ave, Holbrook and Morse St. I've been in talks with Commander Altieri and we expect a uptick and more surveillance in that area. There's housing fairs on April 12, 19 and 26th. The Mayor's Office is providing for everyone to register for a free refurbished Chromebook. I'd be happy to share the information with you.

5D08 Comm May said we have some new striping and a speed hump and raised crosswalk on 19th St between Maryland and M St that went in at the end of March that makes the road easier to navigate. He wanted to speak as well about the camera program street cleaning that other Commissioners had already mentioned.

5D09 Comm Blacknell wasn't responding, there was A internet communication problem. Comm Saucedo-Guzman said they'll come back to her

**7:43 5th District Public Safety Report. MPD Lieutenant Miller**

Lieutenant Miller said all the numbers are down for ANC5D, zero homicides, zero sex assaults... For the 5th District the only thing that's up is motor vehicle thefts, burglaries and sex abuse cases. He answered a few questions about the dug free zones. Officers are on overtime.

7:52 DPR, Christopher Dyer

Christopher Dyer said you can go to [dpr.events](http://dpr.events) to see our programs. You need a permit to apply to hold a event if you have more than 10 people at your event. [Dprprograms.com](http://Dprprograms.com) has our primary info. May 14 for aquatics and May 15 for everything else is our next set of registrations for the summer. You can apply for a reduced rate. Our Ready2Play plan is ready for implementation.

8:18 Cure The Streets, Derek Floyd was unable to be there due to the community safety meeting in Brookland.

Comm Sauced-Guzman gave a brief overview of what CTS is doing. As well as working as violence interrupters CTS is holding fellowships and mentor opportunities for youth. If you're interested, for women you can stop by their office on Wednesday nights and on Fridays for men. They've been holding block cleanups as well.

## COMMISSION ACTIONS

Requested Presentation (5-8 minutes, 5 minutes for questions)

Voting Actions (10-15 minutes, 5 minutes for questions)

8:24 Minetta Tavern, Ms Kim, permitting liason

8:24 Minetta Tavern restaurant is requesting a letter of support for a proposed canopy. They're seeking approval for a new retractable awning to be put up while they are doing construction.

8:43 Comm Arbuckle motioned to grant the letter of support to Minetta Tavern for their retractable awning. Second, May. 8-0-0, the motion passed.

8:45 BZA 21091 at 828 21st St NE. Michael Cross, principal architect and Elizabeth Stewart, the senior project coordinator.

They're seeking relief for 2 exceptions, a rear addition that extends more than 10 feet past a adjoining neighbor and for modifying a existing rooftop element. It's proposed become a 3 unit multi family structure with a 3rd story addition and rear addition. 2 units are proposed to be 2br 2 bath units and a 3rd is a one br,

one and a half bath.

It was agreed upon that there had not been adequate communication with neighbors and the vote and their hearing were put off till a later date.

#### **9:14 Resolution in Opposition to the Initiative Amendment Act of 2023, Comm Roblin**

**Commissioners commented**

**9:24 Comm Roblin motioned to support the Resolution in Opposition to the Initiative Amendment Act of 2023. Second May.**

**9:25 Comm Henderson called for discussion.**

**6-1-0 Henderson opposed, Arbuckle and Blacknell absent.**

#### **9:27 Letter To DDOT regarding the M St. crosswalks, Comm Roblin**

**Commissioners commented**

**9:37 Comm Roblin motioned to support the Letter to DDOT regarding the M St crosswalks. Second Cobb. 6-1-0 Henderson opposed, Arbuckle and Blacknell absent.**

#### **9:38 Community Feedback & Questions (10-20 min)**

#### **9:43 Adjournment**

**Comm Saucedo-Guzman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:43pm. Second Roblin. Motion passed 6-0-0 Arbuckle, Henderson and Blacknell absent.**